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OF

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GREENOUGH'S SPECIFICATION.

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, I, THOMAS GREENOUGH, of Ludgate Hill, in the City of London, Apothecary, send greeting.

WHEREAS His most Excellent Majesty King George the Third did, by
5 His Letters Patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain, bearing date the Eighth day of January, in the nineteenth year of His reign, give and grant unto me, the said Thomas Greenough, His especial licence that I, the said Thomas Greenough, during the term of years therein expressed, should and lawfully might use, exercise, and vend, within England,
10 Wales, and Town of Berwick-upon-Tweed, my Invention of "A VERY EXCELLENT REMEDY FOR STRAINS, BRUISES, WOUNDS, AND MANY OTHER COMPLAINTS, CALLED BY ME SAMARITAN WATER;" in which said Letters Patent there is contained a provisoe obliging me, the said Thomas Greenough, under my hand and seal, to cause a particular description of the nature of my said
15 Invention, and how the same is to be prepared, to be inrolled in His Majesty's High Court of Chancery within four calender months after the date of the said recited Letters Patent, as in and by the same, relation being thereunto had) may more fully and at large appear.

NOW KNOW YE, that in compliance with the said provisoe, I, the said
20 Thomas Greenough, do hereby declare that my said Invention of A very excellent Remedy for Strains, Bruises, Wounds, and many other Complaints, called by me Samaritan Water, is described in the manner following (that is to say):—

Put into a glass retort, that has an opening of about half an inch diameter
25 at the top, with a glass stopper fitted therein, twenty pounds weight of

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regenerated tartar ; place the retort in a sand furnace, and lute on to the neck of it a proper receiver ; then pour upon the regenerated tartar ten pounds of the concentrated acid of sulphur through the opening at the top of the retort. Make under it a small fire, so as to give but a very gentle heat, for too strong a fire will burst the retort ; increase it gradually to give a 5 heat equal to one hundred and twenty degrees of Farenheit's thermometer ; keep it to that point, but no higher, till nothing further can be drawn over. Then take eight pounds of the liquor that has come over into the receiver, and after putting it into a vessel proper for digestion, add to it eight ounces of pure camphor ; digest these together in a digesting furnace, with a 10 heat never exceeding ninety degrees, till the liquor is fully saturated with the camphor. Then add to it four ounces of the true saffron crocus, not the bastard kind ; continue the digestion a little longer, that is, as long as is sufficient to extract the fine volatile anodine parts of it, but not the groser, which a very short time will do ; then let the liquor thus impregnated be 15 poured off and stand for seven days without shaking, that all the particles not thoroughly united may subside, after which let the clear impregnated liquor be put into a proper vessel ; add to it four pounds of a mettalick matter (composed of sixteen parts of pure lead and one part of pure copper, perfectly freed from all arsenical particles, melted together), and let the whole be digested 20 with a moderate heat till the liquor is intirely saturated with the mettallick matter, which will then be compleated, and, when properly diluted) fit for use.

In witness whereof, I, the said Thomas Greenough, have hereunto set my hand and seal, this Twenty-third day of April, 1779.

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THO^s GREENOUGH. (L.S.)

JOHN ORD. **AND BE IT REMEMBRED**, that on the same Twenty-third day of April, in the year above mentioned, the aforesaid Thomas Greenough came before our said Lord the King in His Chancery, and acknowledged the Specification aforesaid, and all and every thing therein contained and specified, in form 30 above written. And also the Specification aforesaid was stampd according to the tenor of the Statute made in the sixth year of the reign of the late King and Queen William and Mary of England, and so forth.

Inrolled the same day and year last above mentioned.

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